# Revised Fresno-Bakersfield Draft Environmental Impact Report/ Environmental Impact Statements

March 2012







# Revised Draft EIR/Supplemental Draft EIS

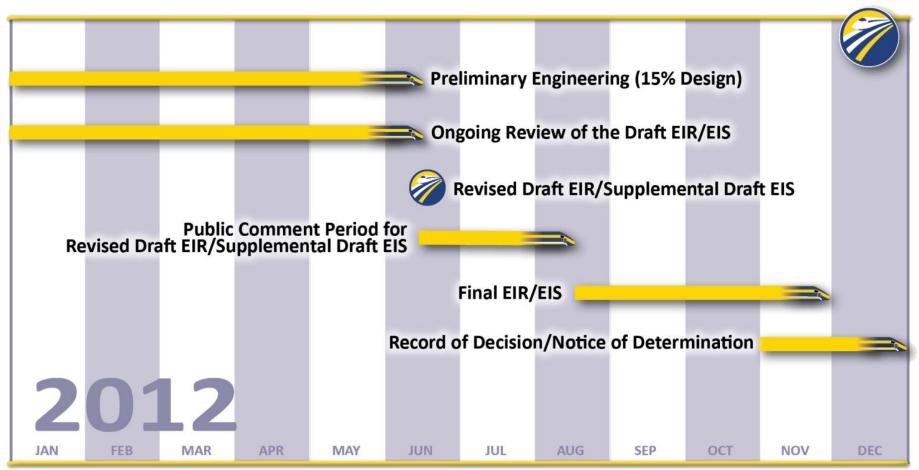
- Completed Preliminary Engineering of Hanford West Bypass
- Ongoing analysis to the other alignments
- Revised Draft EIR/Supplemental Draft EIS undergoing update and review

**Anticipated Public Release: Early Summer 2012** 





#### 2012 Schedule



Schedule subject to change.





# **Comments on Draft EIR/EIS**

### 1,500 Comments Submitted (approximately)

 Main issues: community impacts, agricultural impacts, funding source(s), private property impacts.

# Progress Being Made

- Conducting additional environmental analyses where needed related to any design changes.
- Making other revisions including those based on comments received through Oct. 13, 2011.
- Responses to comments from both the revised and current documents will be incorporated into the Final EIR/EIS.





#### **Fresno to Bakersfield Section**

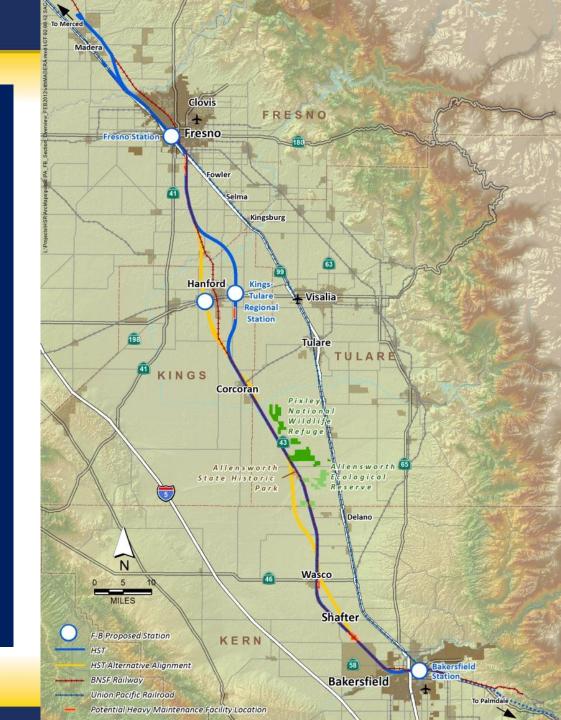
- 114 miles
- Part of 500-mile Phase 1;
   800-mile statewide system

#### **Station Locations**

- Fresno
- Bakersfield
- Proposed in the Hanford area, serving the Kings and Tulare region

#### **Local Benefits**

- Enhanced connectivity
   Travel times:
   Fresno to LA in 1hr 24 min;
   Bakersfield to SF in 1hr 50 min
- Improved air quality
- Central Valley jobs



# **Alignment (Fresno)**



**G** and Tulare Streets



**H and Tulare Streets** 



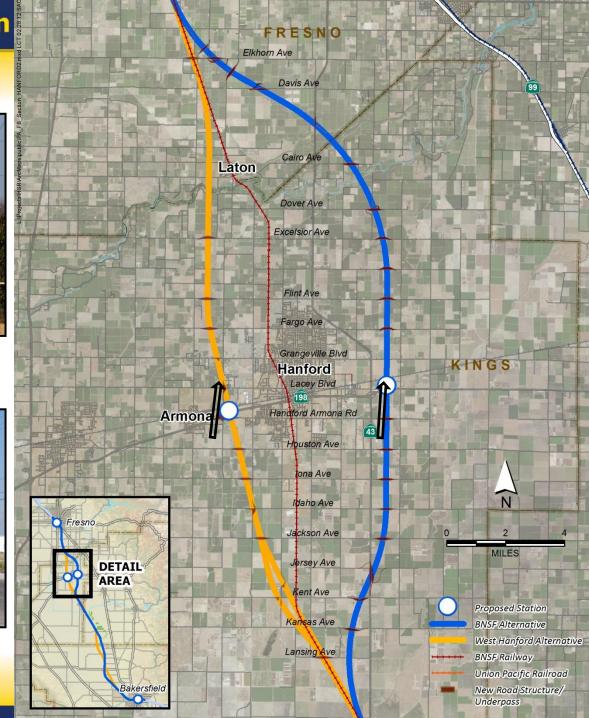
# **Alignment (Hanford)**



East Alignment (Lacey Blvd and Ponderosa)



West Alignment (Learning Center Dr. at Sierra Pacific High School)



# **Alignment (Corcoran)**



Corcoran Bypass at Niles and Ave 5 ½



Otis Avenue near Whitley Avenue

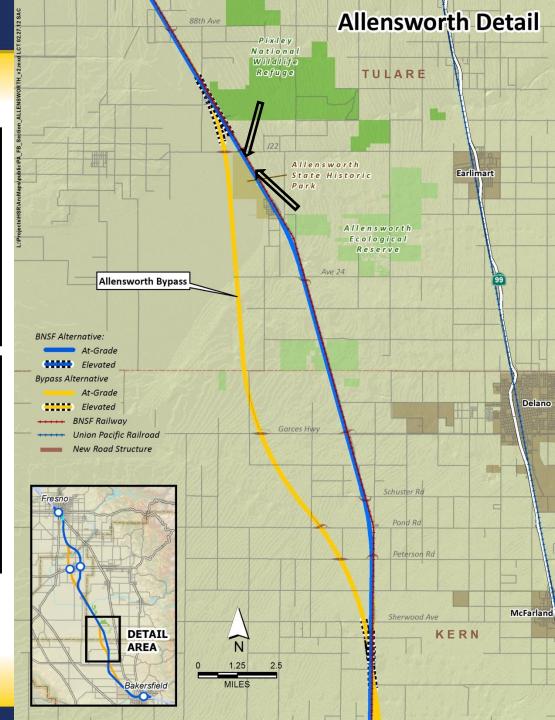


# **Alignment (Allensworth)**





**Colonel Allensworth State Historic Park** 



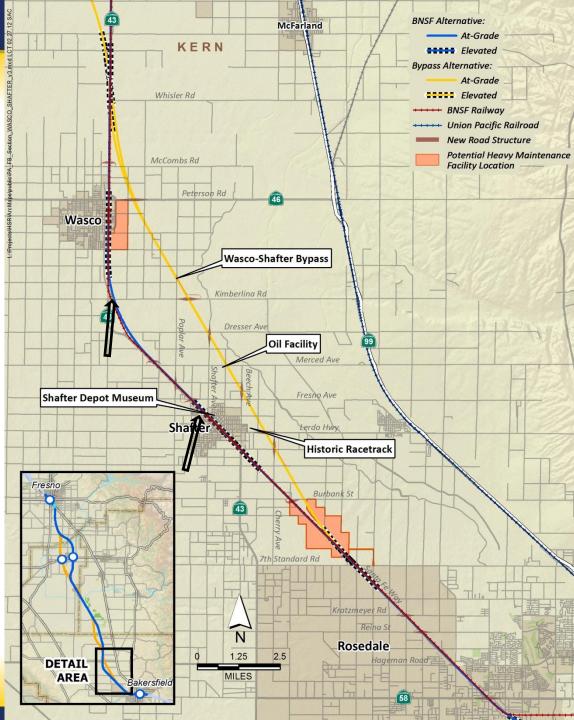
# Alignment (Wasco/Shafter)

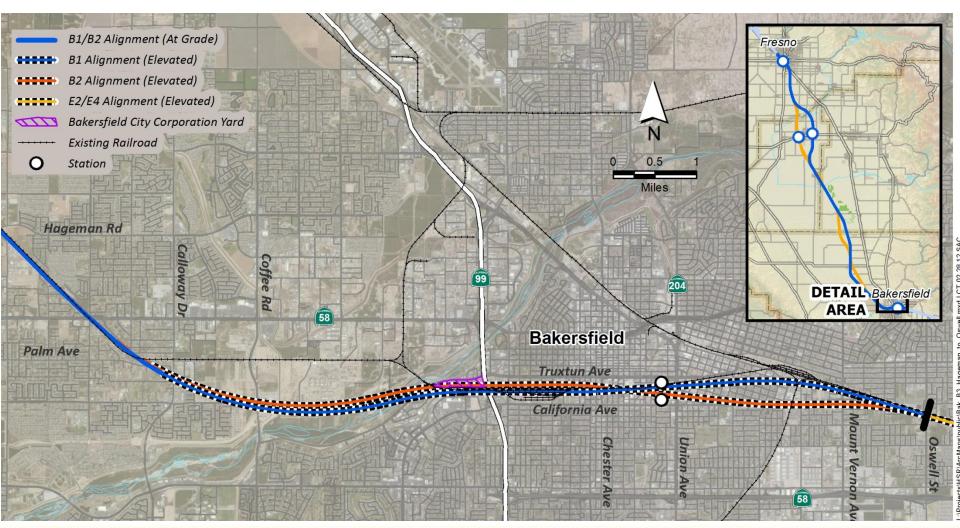


Wasco - Kimberlina and BNSF



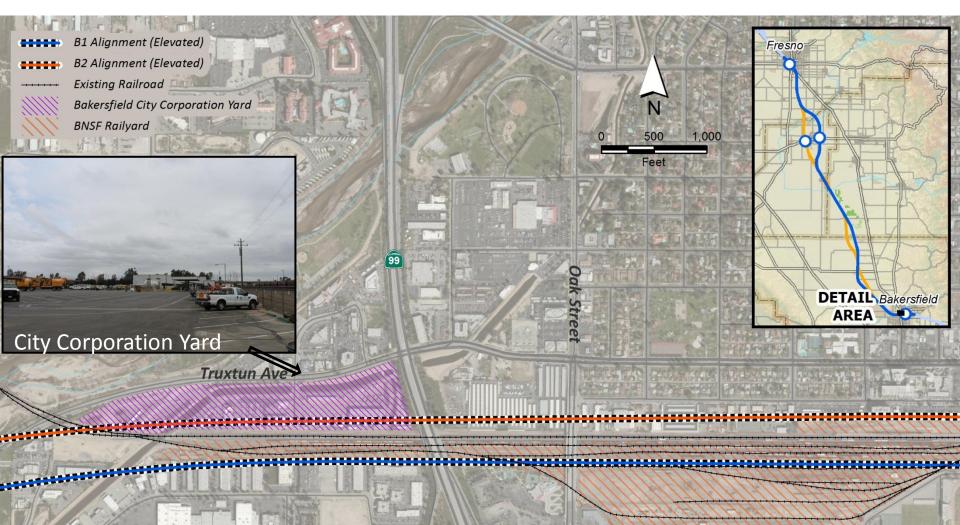
**Shafter Depot Museum** 





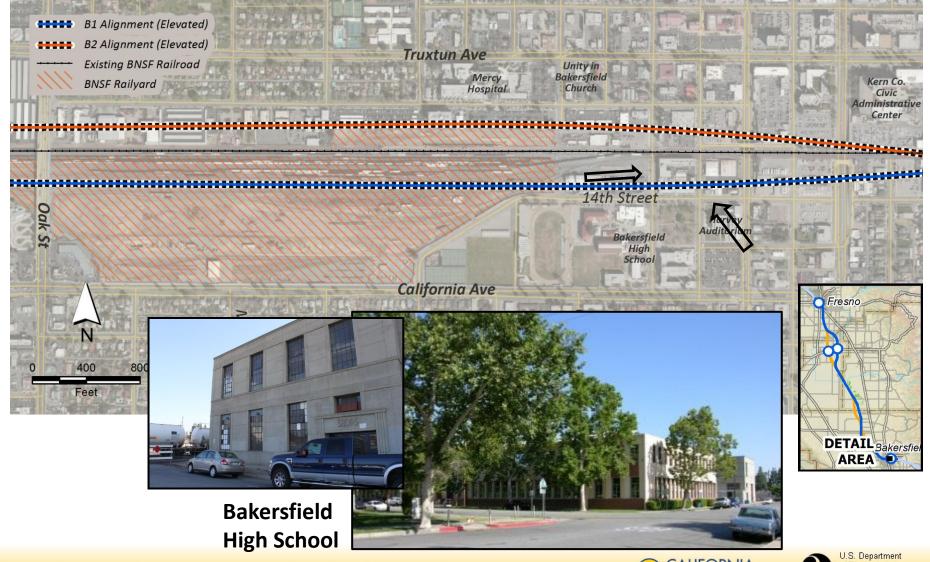


















# **Bakersfield East**







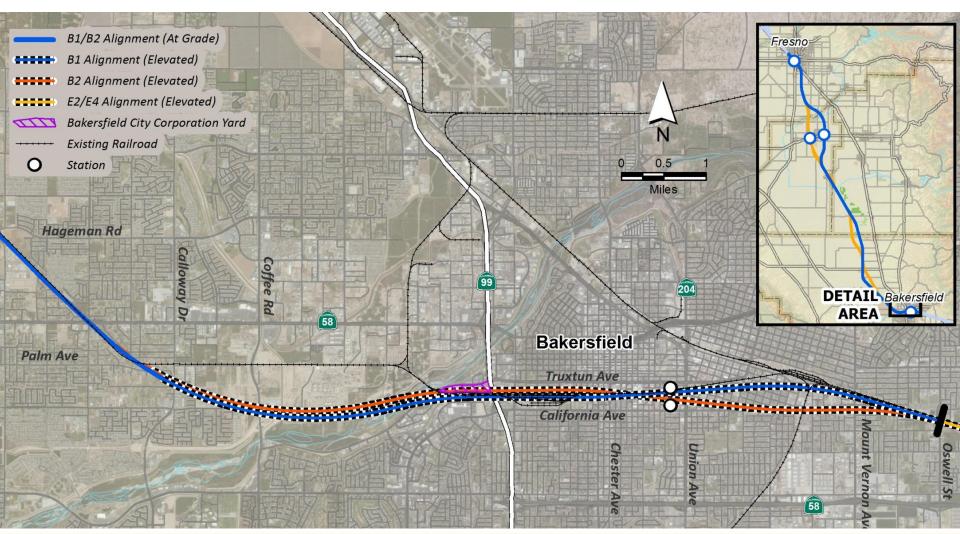
# Alignment Enhancements: What's New?

# **Bakersfield Hybrid Solution**

- Informed by comments from stakeholders.
- Ongoing discussions with City of Bakersfield.
- Seeks to reduce community impacts associated with the BNSF and Bakersfield South Alternatives.
- Represents a combination of the BNSF Alternative and the Bakersfield South Alternative. A new station location near the existing station options will be considered.
- Engineering and environmental analysis of this alignment will be included in the Revised Draft EIR/Supplemental Draft EIS.

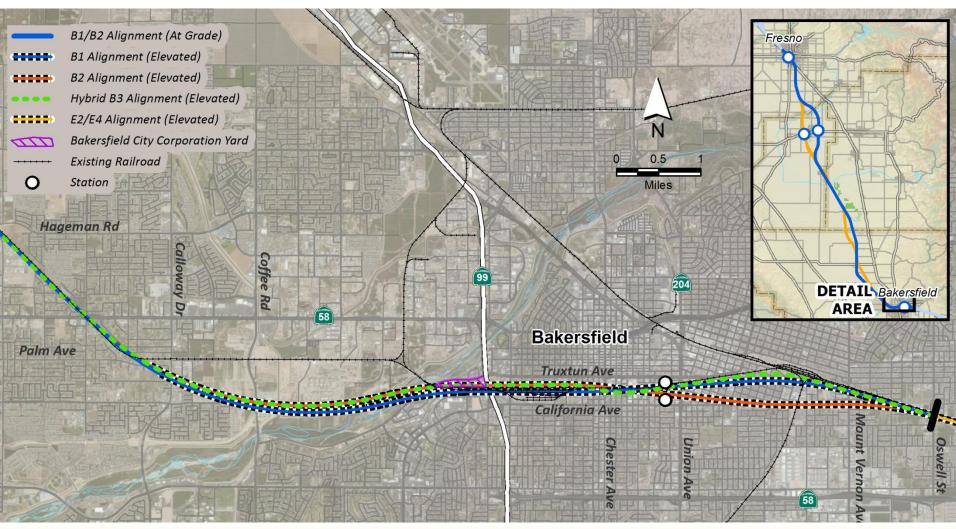






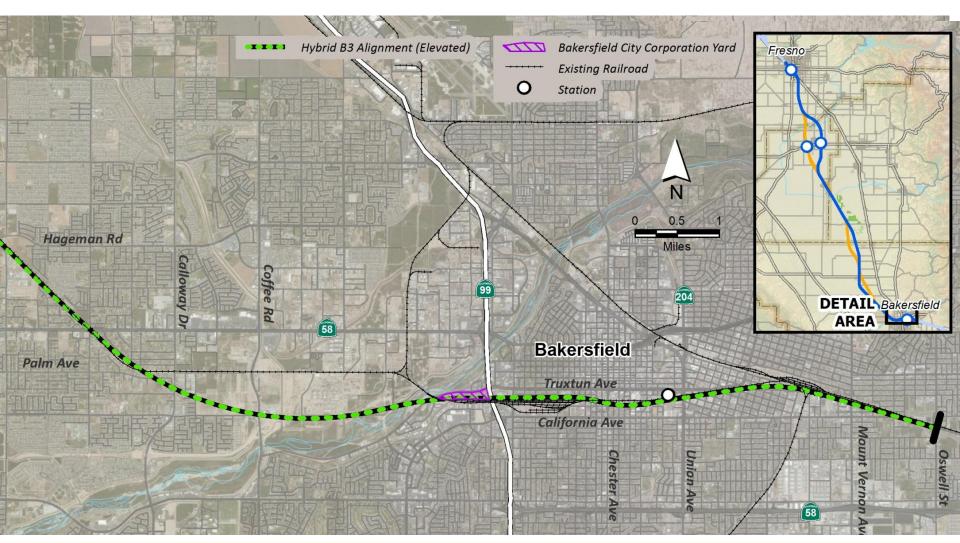








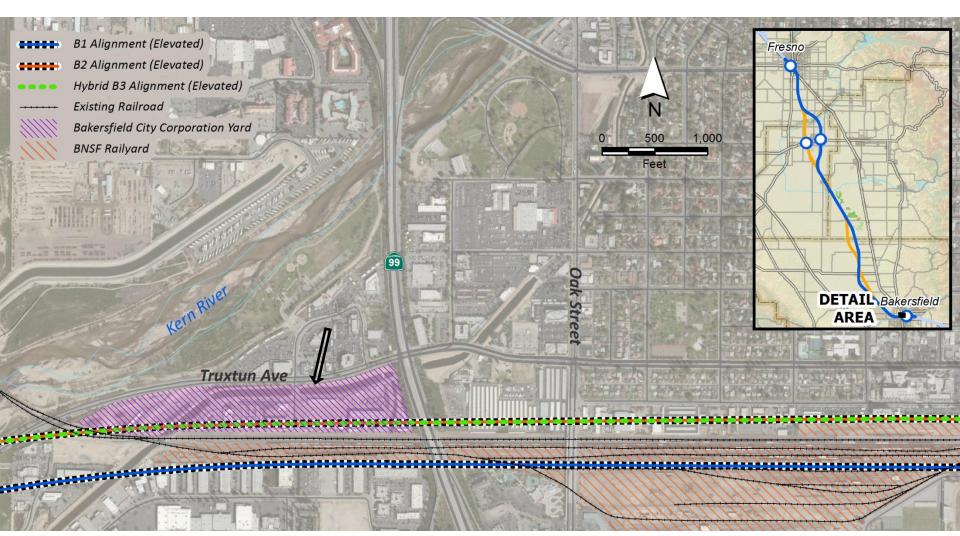






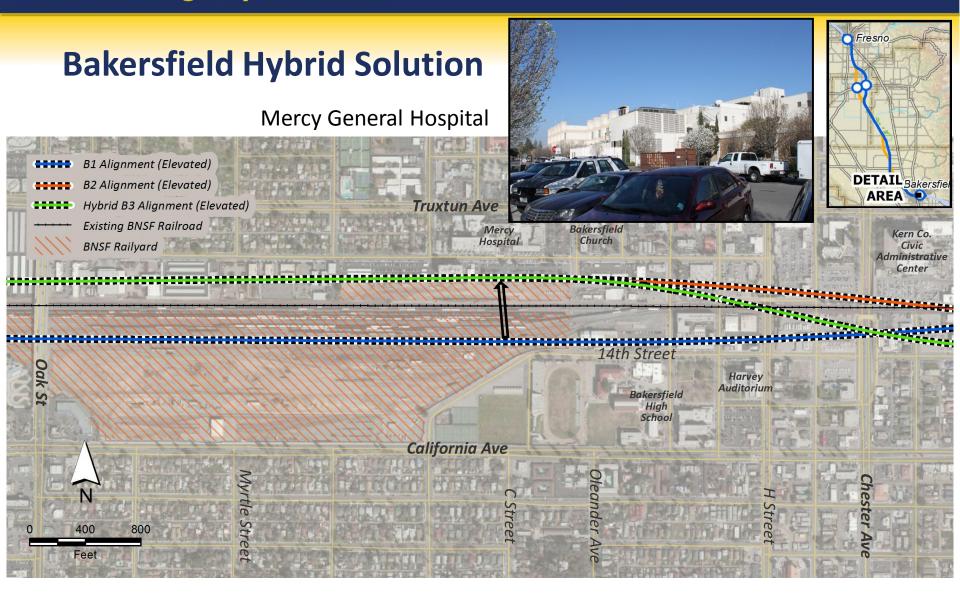


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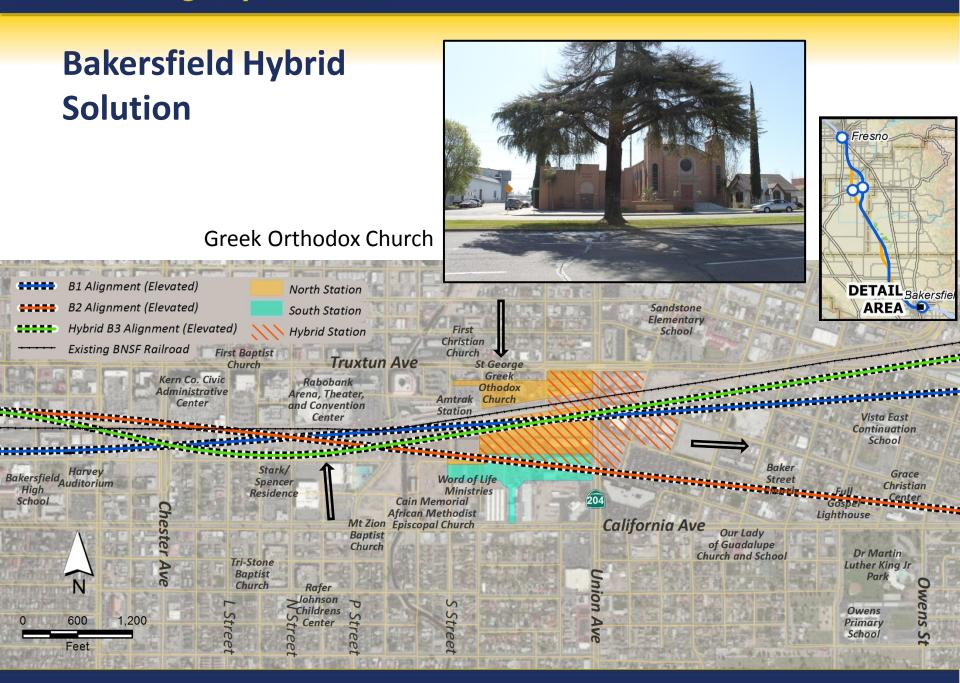












#### **Bakersfield East**







# **Ongoing Public Outreach**

Ongoing outreach to address issues raised by stakeholders and public.

#### Meetings have been held with:

- Fresno County
- Fresno County Transportation
   Authority
- Fresno Council of Governments
- Fresno Farm Bureau and other Agricultural interests
- Kings County
- Kern County
- Kern Council of Governments
- Tulare County

- City of Fresno
- City of Hanford
- City of Wasco
- City of Bakersfield
- Various Irrigation and Water Districts
- Caltrans
- Businesses with in Construction Package #1

Meetings will continue as alignment modifications are made and as new information becomes available prior to the release of the Revised Draft EIR/Supplemental Draft EIS.

# **Questions?**



